

FY2011 (7/1/10 – 6/30/11) Annual Work Plan

South Yakima Conservation District

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Mission of the South Yakima Conservation District

Our primary goal is to promote the wise use, development, and conservation of our renewable natural resources.

Natural Resource Priorities (in priority order):

Water Quality (Surface & Ground)
 Erosion Control (Water & Air)
 Water Quantity & Water Reclamation/Conservation

1st Priority
2nd Priority
3rd Priority

4. Air Quality

- 5. Noxious Weeds
- 6. Wildlife Habitat

Other Priorities

- A. District Operations
- B. Information and Education
- C. Local Control of Resource Management

1. Program Area: Water Quality (Surface & Ground) - FIRST PRIORITY

Goal(s): Continue water quality improvements by lowering concentrations of contaminants in surface and groundwater

Funding Source(s): WSCC, Assessment, potential DOE

| Activities for FY2011 | Target Dates | Person Responsible | Days Required | Estimated Funding |
|--|--------------|-----------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Maintain contact with DOE regarding the status of the Granger Drain Fecal Coliform TMDL and the Sulphur Creek & Lower Yakima Sediment TMDL process. Contact 1X at minimum. | 6/30/11 | Laurie | 1 | \$360 |
| Attend at least 3 information meetings/workshops on nutrient management and new alternative methods and technology in this field. | 6/30/11 | Laurie | 1.5 | \$540 |
| Promote Nutrient Management Practices through nutrient testing, record keeping, technical assistance, and outreach & education. Send out at least one fall newsletter. | 10/30/10 | Laurie | 1 | \$360 |
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| Support and promote surface irrigation conversions by providing landowner cost share and submitting 2 news articles to local newspaper. | 6/30/11 | Laurie | .5 | \$180 |
|--|---------------------|-----------------------|-----|----------|
| Provide Technical Assistance to 120 livestock producers for planning and implementation of Water Quality BMP's | 6/30/11 | Laurie | 125 | \$45,000 |
| Continue to work with all local, state and federal agencies (WDOE, WDOA, County Commissioners, and EPA, etc) regarding the nitrates in the groundwater and wells by attending meetings as scheduled. | 6/30/11 | Laurie Supervisors | 8 | \$2,880 |
| Host two outreach/education meetings/workshops on nutrient management and new alternative BMP's. | 10/31/10 3/31/11 | Laurie | 8 | \$2,880 |
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2. Program Area: Erosion Control (Water & Air) - SECOND PRIORITY

Goal: Be proactive and keep from being designated as a non-attainment area. Meet NRCS soil loss tolerant "T" for all farms under conservation planning.

Funding Source(s): WSCC. Assessment

| Activities for FY2011 | Target Dates | Person Responsible | Days Required | Estimated Funding |
|--|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Provide the use of the Inter-seed Drill to 30 growers to decrease wind and soil erosion. | 6/30/11 | Staff | 1.5 | \$540 |
| Provide technical assistance and cost share assistance to 4 - 6 producers to emphasize the high priority of resource protection caused by soil erosion due to irrigation | 6/30/11 | Laurie | 22 | \$7,920 |
| Respond to requests on wind erosion/dust issues in the Satus area. | 6/30/11 | Jon Nishi | 2 | Volunteer |

3. Program Area: Water Quantity & Water Reclamation/Conservation - THIRD PRIORITY

Goal(s): Promote new water storage sources and on-farm water conservation practices

Funding Source(s): WSCC, Assessment

| Activities for FY2011 | Target Dates | Person Responsible | Days Required | Estimated Funding |
|---|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------|----------------------|
| Seek funding for irrigation BMP's/irrigation distribution efficiency by making contacts and submitting grant proposals. | On-going | Laurie Third Party | 2 | \$720 |
| Maintain awareness of water storage issues by attending at least 1 meeting concerning water storage alternatives. | 6/30/11 | Supervisors | 1 | Volunteer |
| Maintain contact with Yakima Basin Water Resources Agency in an effort to obtain potential funding for water quality and ground water work. | 3/30/11 | Supervisors Laurie | 0.5 3.5 | Volunteer \$1,260 |

A. Program Area: District Operations

Goal(s): Provide training and ongoing education to District Staff and Supervisors. Continue to seek appropriate funding to enhance the long range goals of the District, and work with other Districts and Agencies to improve program efficiency.

Funding Source(s): WSCC, Assessment

| Activities for FY20010 | Target Dates | Person Responsible | Days Required | Estimated Funding |
|---|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Coordinate various District activities and programs in a timely manner. | 6/30/11 | Laurie | 33 | \$11,880 |
| Complete Internal Audit yearly. | 3/31/11 | Supervisors/Harriet | 0.5 | Volunteer \$180 |
| Supervisors complete at least 1 training session during year. (at WACD or a district's work/training day) | 6/30/11 | Supervisors | 1 | Volunteer |
| Each staff person to attend one training session. (Webinars or workshops) | 6/30/11 | Laurie Staff | 5 | \$1,800 \$ 360 |

| Review Annual Plan of Work a minimum of 2 X per year. | 6/30/11 | Supervisors Laurie | 0.5 0.5 | Volunteer \$180 |
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| Review Long Range Plan yearly and update as necessary | 3/31/11 | Supervisors Laurie | 0.5 0.5 | Volunteer \$180 |
| Support and coordinate with the SCW RC&D Program by a board representative attending at least 3 meetings | 6/30/11 | Chris K. | 3 | Volunteer |
| Seek Water Quality and Irrigation BMP's cost share funding for landowners by contacting legislators and other appropriate officials 3X/yr. | 6/30/11 | Supervisors | 1 | Volunteer |
| Coordinate with other Conservation Districts and NRCS, to enhance program efficiencies, by attending at least 1 LWG meeting. | 4/28/11 | Supervisor | 1 | Volunteer |
| Submit updated assessment data to Yakima County to facilitate processing of District Assessment funding. | 12/30/11 | Harriet | 5 | \$1800 |
| Have 1 Supervisor orientation training session for new and existing supervisors. | 3/31/11 | RM | 0.5 | Non CD |
| Review existing policy manuals, personnel policies, RCW89.08, agreements with conservation partners and position descriptions for staff 1 X per year. | 10/30/11 | Laurie Supervisors | 0.5 0.5 | \$180 Volunteer |
| Participate in statewide committee work by attending at least 2 meetings. | 6/30/11 | Laurie | 3 | \$1,080 |
| Develop training plan for supervisors and employees | 9/30/10 | Laurie | 2 | \$720 |
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B. Program Area: Information and Education

Goal(s): Provide an informational and educational program for the general public, landowners, schools, and all others interested in protecting our natural resources.

Funding Source(s): WSCC, Assessment

| Activities for FY20010 | Target Dates | Person Responsible | Days Required | Estimated Funding |
|---|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Manage and maintain District website for public outreach and information on current issues, topics and district programs as | 6/30/11 | Laurie | 2 | \$720 |
| needed throughout the year. Update MOU with Benton Conservation District to provide Salmon in the Classroom. | 10/31/11 | Laurie | 0.5 | \$180 |
| Discuss Youth Camp attendance by at least contacting two other districts concerning Youth Camps. | 12/30/11 | Dirk | 0.5 | Volunteer |
| Develop a MOU with Franklin Conservation District to provide Water on Wheels education to schools within our district boundaries. | 10/31/11 | Laurie | 0.5 | \$180 |

Time Budget: (Use \$45/hour X 8 hrs = days)

Laurie Crowe:

33 days - Coordinator work for District Operation activities

147 days – Providing Technical Assistance to Producers with planning and implementation (LV-IMP)

20 days – Annual Leave

12 days – Sick Leave

10 days - Holidays

38 days - Other activities

260 days Total (260 work days per year)



FY2010 Annual Budget South Yakima Conservation District

| Basic Funding | 12,500.00 |
|---------------------|------------|
| Assessment Receipts | 79,000.00 |
| Grant Funds | 251,300.00 |
| Rents, Leases | 51,500.00 |
| Interest Earned | 1,700.00 |
| Other | 16,300.00 |
| ESTIMATED REVENUES | 412,300.00 |

| Employee Wages | 89,500.00 |
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| Employee Benefits | 21,800.00 |
| Administration | 56,000.00 |
| Cost-Share | 190,000.00 |
| Debt Principal and Debt Interest | 50,000.00 |
| Other Improvements | 5,000.00 |
| ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES | 412,300.00 |